

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 USUN N 02692 270052Z

ACTION IO-14

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 NEA-11 ISO-00 DOE-15 ACDA-12
CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NASA-02
NSC-05 SOE-02 SS-15 OES-07 AF-10 ARA-14 EA-12
/150 W
-----048581 270056Z /73

P 260047Z JUN 78

FM USMISSION USUN NEW YORK
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2293
INFO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD
AMEMBASSY LONDON
AMEMBASSY MOSCOW
AMEMBASSY OTTAWA
AMEMBASSY PARIS

UNCLAS USUN NEW YORK 02692

E.O. 11652 N/A

TAGS: TSPA, UN

SUBJECT: OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE

1. SUMMARY: THE TWENTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE (OSC) BEGAN IN NEW YORK ON THE AFTERNOON OF JUNE 26. OSC CHAIRMAN PETER JANKOWITSCH OF AUSTRIA, UNDER-SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AND SECURITY COUNCIL AFFAIRS MIKHAIL SYTENKO, AND OUTER SPACE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR LUBOS PEREK MADE OPENING STATEMENTS. PAKISTAN (SALIM MEHMUD) OPENED THE GENERAL DEBATE. END SUMMARY.

2. OSC CHAIRMAN JANKOWITSCH NOTED DIFFERENCES OF OPINION OVER REMOTE SENSING, DIRECT BROADCAST SATELLITES, AND GEOSTATIONARY ORBITS, AND HOPED THERE COULD BE MOVEMENT TOWARD CONSENSUS IN THESE AREAS. ALSO NOTED THE LACK OF CONSENSUS ON USE OF NUCLEAR POWER SOURCES IN OUTER SPACE, BUT TRUSTED OSC WILL BE ABLE TO

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 USUN N 02692 270052Z

CONSIDER THE MATTER AND TAKE WHATEVER ACTION IS NECESSARY SHOULD IT DECIDE TO TAKE UP THE SUBJECT.

3. HE ANNOUNCED PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE OF WORK PROVIDING FOR (1) GENERAL DEBATE IN MORNINGS AND DISCUSSIONS OF REPORTS OF LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE AND SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE (STSC) DURING AFTERNOONS OF

FIRST WEEK; (2) DISCUSSION OF QUESTION OF CONVENING UN CONFERENCE ON OUTER SPACE ON JULY 3; AND (3) DISCUSSION OF OTHER MATTERS AND REPORT OF OSC TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY REST OF SECOND WEEK. BRAZILIAN, CARLOS MORREA GARCIA, ELECTED OSC RAPPORTEUR, REPLACING MINISTER LINDBERG SETTE.

4. MIKHAIL SYSTEMKO, SHEVCHENKO REPLACEMENT AS UNDER-SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AND SECURITY AFFAIRS, DELIVERED A SHORT, GENERALLY OPTIMISTIC STATEMENT ON GOALS OF THE OSC.

5. GENERAL DEBATE BEGAN WITH A STATEMENT BY PAKISTANI REP SELIM MEHMUD. ON REMOTE SENSING HE (1) EMPHASIZED NEED TO DEVELOP GROUND FACILITIES, (2) SUPPORTED STSC'S CONTINUING STUDY OF IMAGERY RESOLUTION TO INSURE AREA OF FREE DISSIMMATION OF DATA, (3) STRESSED SENSED STATES SHOULD HAVE FREE ACCESS TO DATA ON IT AND SHOULD BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE REMOTE SENSING, (4) SUPPORTED CREATION OF A PANEL OF EXPERTS WITH ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND (5) STATED PAKISTAN INTENDS TO ESTABLISH GROUND STATION WHICH COULD BE USED AS UN-SPONSORED TRAINING CENTER. HE SUPPORTED HOLDING OF UN WORLD CONFERENCE ON SPACE. ON NUCLEAR POWER SOURCES IN SPACE, MEHMUD FAVORED CREATION OF AN AD HOC WORKING GROUP TO UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 03 USUN N 02692 270052Z

STUDY THE QUESTION AND TO SUGGEST STEPS TO ELIMINATE THE DANGER OF NUCLEAR ACCIDENTS. HE PROPOSED THAT ACTIVITIES OF STATES IN SPACE SHOULD BE WATCHED AND COORDINATED BY UN AND THAT AN INTERNATIONAL SPACE AGENCY SIMILAR TO THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

LEONARD

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptoning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: COMMITTEE MEETINGS, SPACE EXPLORATION, MEETING REPORTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 26 jun 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 jan 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978USUNN02692
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780265-0602
Format: TEL
From: USUN NEW YORK
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780618/aaaaapsz.tel
Line Count: 101
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 4534667f-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION IO
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 29 mar 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: N/A
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2201232
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE
TAGS: TSPA, UN
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkvgwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/4534667f-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014